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Encl: (1) USD(AT&L) memo dated 11 Dec 2003
(2) Criteria for the Certificate of Recognition for Acquisition Innovation

The purpose of this memorandum is to solicit nominations for the David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Award for CY 2003. Enclosure (1) provides guidance on eligibility, nomination and selection criteria for this award. Program submissions will be reviewed by a Panel comprised of representatives from the ASN(RDA) DASN staffs. The Panel will select up to five (5) submissions to serve as the DON-level Packard nominations. These will be presented to Mr. Young for his concurrence and forwarding to OSD.

This year we are not separately soliciting nominations for the Defense Acquisition Executive (DAE) Certificate of Achievement. Instead, we will request that OSD award the DAE Certificate to each of the DON-level nominated programs that do not receive the Packard Award. The Panel will also consider recommending other programs for the DAE Certificate from among all of the programs it reviews for the Packard Award. Accordingly, activities should include programs they believe warrant the DAE Certificate of Achievement among those they nominate for the Packard Award.

In addition to nominations for the Packard Award, we are also accepting nominations for the Defense Certificate of Recognition for Acquisition Innovation. Enclosure (2) provides the award criteria for this Award. Programs nominated for the Packard Award, but not selected for either the Packard Award or the DAE Certificate, will automatically be considered for the Defense Certificate of Recognition for Acquisition Innovation.

The nomination submission process has changed this year. Submissions, along with Letters of Endorsement from the SYSCOM Commander, PEO, or DRPM, as appropriate, must be e-mailed, in PDF format, to the DASN (ACQ) point of contact Ebony Benton, ebony.benton@navy.mil, (703) 693-1167, no later than April 2, 2004.


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